

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of MAJIMA

Application No.

Examiner:

Filed: Herewith

Group Art Unit:

For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ORGANIC FERTILIZER WITH
INGREDIENT MADE FROM ORGANIC WASTES AND A DEVICE THEREFOR

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

Mail Stop Patent Applications
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

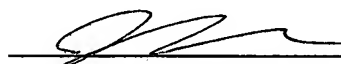
Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449A is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner for independent evaluation. A copy of the reference is enclosed. An English language abstract of the reference is enclosed, together with a concise explanation of relevance of the document.

Certification

This Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of the present application, and this paper is thus submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b). In view of the above certification, a fee is not required for consideration of this document. Nevertheless, should a fee be deemed to be due by the Commissioner, such fee should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 12/3/03


J. Rodman Steele, Jr.
Registration No. 25,931
Mark D. Passler
Registration No. 40,764
Akerman Senterfitt
Post Office Box 3188
West Palm Beach, FL 33402-3188
Tel: (561) 653-5000

Docket No. 1625-167

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

Complete if Known

Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	MAJIMA
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	1625-167

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ *Number ⁴ *Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		JP-3,294,207	06/13/2000	KANKYO KOGAKU		

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Express Mail Label
EV347799975US